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SUBJECT: DEBATE ON DEFENSE REVIEW

1. THE GOVERNMENT HAS ANNOUNCED A TWO-DAY DEBATE ON THE DEFENSE REVIEW IN THE COMMONS ON 16-17 DECEMBER. THE LORDS ALSO ARE TO DEBATE THE MATTER ON 17 DECEMBER.

2. WHILE FINAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR HANDLING THE DEBATE HAVE NOT YET BEEN SETTLED, WE UNDERSTAND THE PRIME MINISTER MAY OPEN DEBATE IN THE COMMONS, FOLLOWED BY DEFENSE SECRETARY MASON AND AN FCO MINISTER ON FIRST DAY; FCO WOULD LEAD OFF ON THE SECOND DAY OF DEBATE, WITH DEFENSE MINISTER ROGERS FOLLOWING UP FOR MOD. LORDS DEBATE PROBABLY WILL BE HANDLED BY LORDS SHEPHERD AND WINTERBOTTOM, NEITHER OF WHOM IS NOTED FOR DEEP KNOWLEDGE OF NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS.

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